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TO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

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TAGS: CENTO

SUBJECT: CENTO ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE

REF: ANKARA 1027

PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO SECRETARY  
GENERAL. QTE: DEAR MR. SECRETARY GENERAL: ON BEHALF  
OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I EXTEND TO YOU MY CONGRATULATIONS  
ON THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CENTRAL TREATY  
ORGANIZATION. DURING THE PAST TWENTY YEARS, CENTO HAS  
EXHIBITED BOTH SOLIDARITY AND FLEXIBILITY, ADJUSTING TO  
CHANGE WHILE HOLDING CLOSE TO THE VALUES AND PURPOSES  
WHICH LED TO ITS ESTABLISHMENT. DURING AN ERA OF RAPID  
CHANGE IN RELATIONS AMONG NATIONS, THE UNITED STATES  
APPRECIATES THE COMBINATION OF LONG-TERM UNITY AND MUTUAL  
RESPECT FOR NATIONAL VALUES DEMONSTRATED BY CENTO. WE  
LOOK FORWARD TO A CONTINUANCE OF THE CLOSE COOPERATION  
WHICH CENTO HAS FOSTERED TO MEET THE COMMON SECURITY  
REQUIREMENTS OF THE MEMBER NATIONS FOR MANY YEARS TO  
COME. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD. UNQTE. MAW  
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